

TERRESTRIAL ANIMAL HEALTH STANDARDS COMMISSION

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GLOSSARY

For the purposes of the *Terrestrial Code*:

Emerging disease

means a new *infection or infestation* resulting from the evolution or change of an existing pathogenic agent, a known *infection or infestation* spreading to a new geographic area or *population*, or a previously unrecognised pathogenic agent or *disease* diagnosed for the first time and which has a significant impact on animal or public health.

Good manufacturing practice

means a production and testing practice that helps to ensure a quality product.

Surveillance

means the systematic ongoing collection, collation, and analysis of information related to animal health and the timely dissemination of information ~~to those who need to know~~ so that action can be taken.

Veterinary medicinal product

means any product with **approved proven** claim(s) to having a protective, therapeutic or diagnostic effect or to alter physiological functions when administered or applied to an *animal*.

Rationale: It is unclear what is meant by “approved” for claims as noted in this definition. We believe that the appropriate word that was being sought was “proven” rather than “approved” in the context of this definition.

Veterinary statutory body

means an autonomous regulatory body for ~~authority regulating~~ *veterinarians* and *veterinary para-professionals*.